

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 992

By Roberts

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Shannon Jarman
upon being named the 2020 Master Logger of
the Year by the Tennessee Forestry Association.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should salute those citizens who, through their extraordinary efforts, have distinguished themselves as community leaders of whom we can all be proud; and

WHEREAS, one such noteworthy individual is Shannon Jarman of Slayden, who was selected as the 2020 Master Logger of the Year by the Tennessee Forestry Association; and

WHEREAS, Shannon Jarman got his start in the logging industry in the 1980s, when he and his father, Steve Jarman, logged with mules and a tractor and owned and operated a part-time sawmill; in the early 1990s, he worked as a sawyer for Averitt Sawmill in Clarksville; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Jarman ventured out on his own in 1999 with the purchase of a single log skidder, beginning a sole proprietorship as Jarman Logging, which grew to become a corporation in 2012; and

WHEREAS, today, Shannon Jarman is a Master Logger of Tennessee and Kentucky who is passionate about maintaining an innovative approach to logging; he, along with his wife and children, regularly attends logging and related industry shows across the country to learn about the latest technology and advances in the field; and

WHEREAS, Jarman Logging is a fully mechanized operation, with two 648L John Deere Skidders, an 859M John Deere Cutter with 2900 Quadco 360 head, 595 Barko Knuckleboom with a CSI delimber and bucksaw, 495 Barko Knuckleboom, 525c Caterpillar Skidder, 573 Caterpillar Cutter with side cut head, four Savannah Machine Shop trailers, four Pitts log trailers, and a Pitts lowboy trailer; and

WHEREAS, the company operates throughout Middle Tennessee, harvesting primarily hardwood and some pulp through select cutting, and performing clearcutting as requested by landowners; Shannon Jarman works closely with each landowner to form a harvesting plan and has an impeccable reputation for leaving each harvesting site in good condition; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Jarman feels a personal responsibility for being a good steward of the land for the benefit of current and future generations while also setting his crew up for success; and

WHEREAS, as safety is paramount, he ensures the well-being of his crew through various precautionary measures, including daily inspections and frequent tailgate safety meetings; Jarman Logging has been recognized with numerous safety awards from Forestry Mutual Insurance Company, a testament to Mr. Jarman's commitment to protecting his crew; and

WHEREAS, wholly devoted to serving his community, Shannon Jarman's logging company sponsors local little league baseball teams and high school athletics and donates to countless charities as well as several individuals in need; he is a staunch supporter of shopping locally and truly believes local businesses help each other thrive; and

WHEREAS, throughout his many successes, Shannon Jarman has enjoyed the love and support of his wife, Rachel, who oversees all bookkeeping and payroll at Jarman Logging; she also serves her community as a high school cheerleading coach; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Jarman has inspired his two sons to learn the business of logging: McClain works full time as a foreman and operates the skidder and knuckleboom, and Clayton operates a skidder part time while also serving the community as a firefighter; and

WHEREAS, his eldest daughter, Savanna, spent time with her dad in the woods as a youth and now helps with bookkeeping part time, in addition to her job as a social worker, and

his youngest daughter, Marleigh, though not old enough to help with the business, enjoys time spent in the woods with her father; and

WHEREAS, Shannon Jarman epitomizes the spirit and commitment that are characteristic of a true Tennessean; and

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly find it appropriate to acknowledge and applaud Mr. Jarman for his dedication to the State of Tennessee and its citizens; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED TWELFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we honor and congratulate Shannon Jarman upon being named the 2020 Master Logger of the Year by the Tennessee Forestry Association and extend to him our best wishes for success in all his future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.